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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

My wife and I receive Internet and telephone services through Sonic at a reasonable price. The services at Sonic are excellent because you can actually talk to a human (person) in case there are technical issues to be resolved. Sonic's customer service is excellent in that regard. We pay less than \$67 each month. The large companies like ATT, Verizon, and Comcast provide mediocre services and charge double each month.

Isn't the American creed to allow more competition in order that companies work harder to attract the consumer? If you tip the scale against the smaller companies that are providing excellent services to

it's customers like me -- then the idea of competition in America becomes a lie!

These huge companies claim that residential consumers like me will not be affected, because there are no carriers who use unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to compete in the residential marketplace -- but that too is lie. As a Sonic subscriber I would certainly be "materially affected."

I had thought that a competitive market would ensure that consumers like me have access to better prices. But the very big companies want to change that, and limit my access to choose the best possible service at the best possible price.

So, yes, as a residential Sonic customer, I will be materially affected. Please do the right thing -- the American thing -- allow fair competition!

Thank you,

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